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In the application of:

Narayan BAIDYA et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2001 (Paper No. 8) for which a response was due on January 9, 2002. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to March 9, 2002. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested. A supplemental information disclosure statement accompanies this amendment.